




Planned NASA Research Facilities


NASA pressurized payload rack facilities awaiting launch

- **Microgravity Science Research Rack (MSRR) (2009)**
 - Facility to support ESA Microgravity Science Lab furnace
- **Fluids Integrated Rack (FIR) (2009)**
 - Facility dedicated to fluid physics research, with Light Microscope Module
- **Window Observation Research Facility (WORF) (2009)**
 - Facility to support visual and multispectral remote sensing using Lab Optical Window
- **Muscle Atrophy Research Exercise System (MARES) (2009)**
 - Facility for musculoskeletal, biomechanical, neuromuscular and neurological physiology measurements


MSRR



FIR



WORF



MARES


Columbus


1E flight, December 2007


Columbus Module at KSC



European Technology Exposure Facility (EuTEF)



SOLAR


Biolab


European Drawer Rack


European Physiology Module


European Transport Carrier


Fluid Science Lab


Columbus European Space Agency (ESA)

Research racks launched in Columbus

- **European Physiology Module**
 - Facility for human physiology research in neurosciences, cardiology, bone and muscle metabolism
- **Fluid Science Lab**
 - Multi-user facility for fluid physics research
- **Biolab**
 - Facility for cell culture, tissue, microorganisms, small plants and animals research, includes glovebox, incubator, microscope
- **European Drawer Rack**
 - Provide for middeck-class experiments and stowage
- **European Transport Carrier**
 - Stowage and transportation rack for experiments

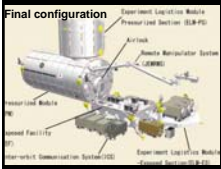
External facilities launched with Columbus


- **European Technology Exposure Facility (EuTEF)**
 - Provides a platform for investigators to gather science data on the ISS space environment
- **SOLAR**
 - A platform with coarse pointing capability for three science instruments to monitor the solar flux in different wavelengths





Kibo Flights: 1J/A Feb 2008, 1J Apr 2008, 2J/A Jan 2009


Final configuration






Kibo at KSC



JEM-EF at TkSC



Ryutai (Fluids)

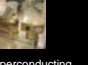

Saibo (Cell Biology)


Kobairo (Materials)


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Space Environment Data Acquisition (SEDA)


Monitor All-sky X-ray Image (MAXI)


Superconducting Sub millimeter-wave Limb-Emission Sounder (SMILES)

Kibo Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)

Research racks launched with pressurized elements or later on HTV

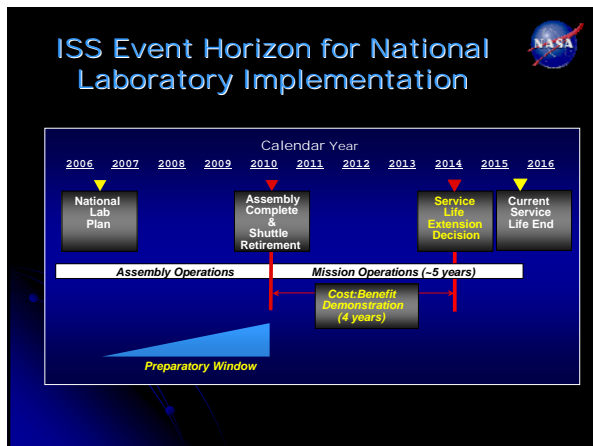
- **Ryutai (2008)**
 - Fluid physics and solution/crystal growth research, including image processing unit
- **Saibo (2008)**
 - Cell biology facility, contains Clean Bench and Cell Biology Experiment Facility, including glovebox, incubator, microscope, centrifuge
- **Kobairo (2009)**
 - Gradient Heating Furnace for materials processing research

External payloads launched with JEM-EF or later on HTV

- **Space Environment Data Acquisition (SEDA) (2009)**
 - Monitor neutron, plasma, atomic oxygen, and heavy ions
- **Monitor All-sky X-ray Image (MAXI) (2009)**
 - Observe X-ray bursts by Gas Slit Camera and X-ray CCD Slit Camera
- **Superconducting Sub millimeter-wave Limb-Emission Sounder (SMILES) (2009)**
 - Demonstrate sub-millimeter sensor technology and conduct sub-millimeter limb-emission sounding of the atmosphere and perform global observation of trace gases in the Stratosphere

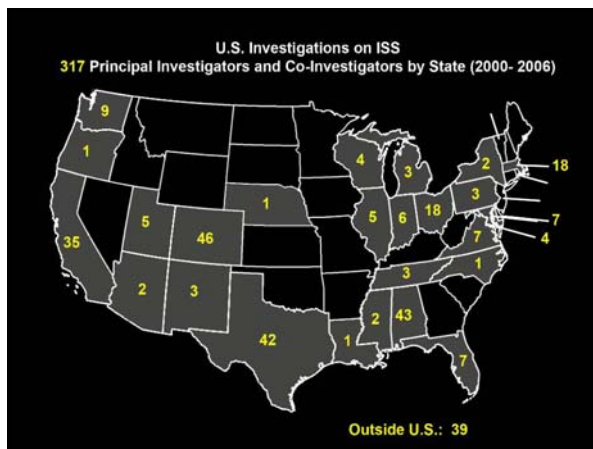
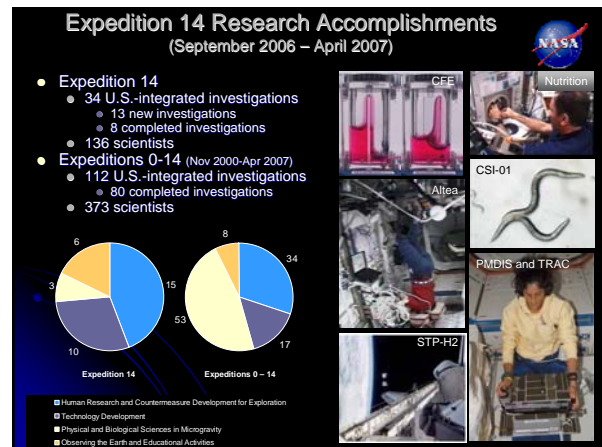
The NASA Authorization act of 2005 designated the U.S. facilities and resources on the ISS as a "national laboratory" (Public Law 109-155, Sec. 507)

- Directed NASA to develop a plan to "increase the utilization of the ISS by other Federal entities and the private sector..."
- As the Nation's newest national laboratory, the ISS will further strengthen relationships among NASA, other Federal entities, and private sector leaders in the pursuit of national priorities for the advancement of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.
- The ISS National Laboratory will also open new paths for the exploration and economic development of Space.
- Opportunity to expand the US economy in space-based research, applications and operations.
- Unique and highly visible national asset with surplus capacity available for a wide spectrum of applications.
- NASA will continue to cover cost of operating and maintaining the ISS, and is highly motivated to work with other agencies and organizations to pursue applications.



"Early utilization" on ISS

- Science completed during assembly
 - Early returns during the course of assembly
 - Takes advantage of assembly delays, extra crew time
 - Means that every crewmember on ISS can be a subject for human research experiments
 - More human experiments and larger sample sizes over the life of ISS
- Provides information on the potential uses of ISS after assembly is complete



ISS Educational Accomplishments

- K-12 Student participation on ISS 2000-2006
 - 66,000 students in inquiry based learning with ISS data
 - 800,000 students with classroom versions of ISS experiments
 - 31 million had the opportunity to see telecasts from ISS
- 470 undergraduate students
- 251 graduate and postdoctoral students



The Vision for Space Exploration and The ISS National Laboratory



1. Complete assembly of the ISS
2. Develop Orion (Crew Exploration Vehicle)
3. Utilize ISS

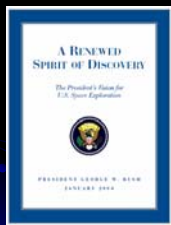
The Vision for Space Exploration



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- ISS Focus for NASA before Exploration Vision: Diverse, multi-discipline research
 - Human Life Sciences
 - Biological Sciences
 - Materials Science
 - Fluids Science
 - Combustion Science
 - And all other sciences!

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- NEW ISS Focus for NASA
 - Astronaut health and countermeasure development to protect crews from the space environment during long duration voyages
 - Testing research and technology developments for future exploration missions
 - Developing and validating operational procedures for long-duration space missions

ISS Medical Project

Experiments on ISS can address:

SPACE SYSTEM

- Advanced life support
- Exercise systems
- Clinical capabilities
- Radiation
- Dust

HUMAN SYSTEM

- Integrated physiology
- Cardiovascular
- Bone & Muscle
- Neurovestibular
- Food and nutrition
- Immunology & infection
- Human behavior & performance



ISS Medical Project



- ISSMP has been developed to maximize the utilization of ISS to obtain solutions to the human health and performance problems and the associated mission risks of exploration class missions
- Complete programmatic review with medical operations (space medicine/flight surgeons) to identify:
 - Evidence base on risks
 - Gap analysis
- Rapid implementation of key studies to optimize human research return



Disciplines Represented in early ISS Research



- Human Research
- Cell Biology and Biotechnology
- Plant Biology
- Physical Sciences
- Technology Development
- Environmental Monitoring
- Earth Observation
- Education

NASA mission-driven Research and the National Laboratory



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